

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0014] with the following:

[0014] Figure 1 is a schematic illustration of an exemplary gas turbine engine 10 coupled to an electric generator 16. In the exemplary embodiment, gas turbine system 10 includes a compressor 12, a turbine 14, and generator 16 arranged in a single monolithic rotor or shaft 18. In an alternative embodiment, shaft 18 is segmented into a plurality of shaft segments, wherein each shaft segment is coupled to an adjacent shaft segment to form shaft 18. Compressor 12 supplies compressed air to a combustor 20 wherein the air is mixed with fuel supplied via a stream 22. In one embodiment, engine 10 is a 9FA+e gas turbine engine commercially available from General Electric Company, Greenville, South Carolina ~~Carolina~~ Carolina.